

ance company of Brooklyn, under indictment for grand larceny in connection with alleged financial irregularities, died at his home in Greenwich, Conn.

John R. Collier, chairman of the democratic city and county committee of Louisville, Ky., is dead.

Miss Jean Clemens, daughter of Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) was found drowned in a bath tub in the Clemens home at Redding, Conn. It was a case of accidental drowning following an epileptic spell.

Judge J. F. Prouty will be the progressive republican candidate for

congress in the Fifth Iowa district against Representative J. A. T. Hull.

Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, sought refuge in Mexico.

James H. Craig, a resident of Beatrice, Neb., and a linial descendant of Daniel Boone, is dead.

In an interview at Cordova, N. M., Zelaya declared he is still the chief magistrate of Nicaragua and that Madriz is only the provisional executive.

The Nicaraguan consul at New York, Pio Bolanos, has sent to the Madriz government word that he will not recognize it and will receive orders only from a Nicaraguan government that has been recognized by the United States government. General Estrada, leader of the revolutionists, has rejected Madriz's peace terms, refuses to recognize the government and declares that it is to be a war to the end.

Following is an Associated Press dispatch: "New York City's total net indebtedness for the fiscal year of 1907 was more than seven times of any other city in the United States and more than one-half of the total of the twenty-seven largest cities as figured out by the census bureau. Of the total net indebtedness of the 158 cities of more than 30,000 population, New York City is credited with 39.2 per cent, the per capita being \$142.52. The other cities over \$100 were: Cincinnati, \$123.52; Boston, \$120.37; Galveston, \$115.78; Pueblo, \$108.23 and Newton, Mass., \$105.83. Of the cities of 300,000 San Francisco had by far the smallest net debt and Detroit with \$23.75 per capita, next to the smallest. The increase in the net debt for the fiscal year of 1907 was \$120,930,631, more than three-fourths of which was credited to the fifteen largest cities. The only city of less than 300,000 inhabitants having an increase of more than \$1,000,000 was Seattle, Wash., whose net debt increased by \$5,791,078. Several cities decreased their net indebtedness during the year, the largest of them being St. Louis, San Francisco, Washington, Indianapolis and Kansas City."

Richard Knowlden, a draughtsman, was arrested in London charged with the wholesale theft of plans and sketches from the British navy.

On January 2 Mr. Bryan reached Panama.

The minister of the interior in Greece has been forced to resign by the Military League.

Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, has been taken to federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., where he will begin serving a fifteen year sentence.

John R. Bradley, the man who financed Dr. Cook's Arctic expedition, is arranging to finance another expedition in order to learn just how far Dr. Cook went.

A TENOR FROM THE MINES

Mr. Morgan Kingston, the working miner who appeared as a tenor vocalist at the Queen's Hall yesterday, and is engaged at the Aeolian Hall today, is not the first working man to reach the London concert platform. Mr. Ben Davies, the famous tenor, might have been still a shop assistant in Swansea had his talents not been discovered when he ventured to compete at an Eisteddfod and won the first prize.—Westminster Gazette.

THACKERAY AS A HERO

No man ever enjoyed his fame more than Thackeray; but no man's head was ever less turned than his. The story is told that Charlotte Bronte, sitting opposite to him at a dinner, regarded him for a long time as a hero. "And," said Thackeray, "I had the miserable humiliation of seeing her ideal of me disappear as everything went into my mouth and nothing came out of, until at last, as I took my fifth potato, she leaned across with clasped hands and tearful eyes, and breathed imploringly: 'Oh, Mr. Thackeray! Don't!'" This is one of those stories which may not be true, but ought to be. It shows Thackeray in his typical attitude to life and to himself. He enjoyed the situation and criticised it implicitly as he enjoyed it. A hero perhaps—but there were the five potatoes.—London Saturday Review.

THE SMITHS

As to Smith, a correspondent points out that while there are now about 350,000 members of the great family in England alone, in Old Testament times, according to the First Book of Samuel, "there was no Smith throughout the land of Israel." This verse the late Bishop Wilberforce spotted as the hardest one in the Bible to quote without smiling.—London Chronicle.

FORE AND AFT

She—They do not live happily together? He—No. It's the eternal struggle

between religion and society. He is as straight backed as she is straight front.—Puck.

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